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Brent:

This was discussed at the CFI meeting.
Rumsfeld and others at the Pentagon are
very high on this fellow. I want to announce
this when I return from my trip .
I think the announcement should come from
here, inasmuch as the job, at this point,
as head of the Intelligence Community Staff,
does not require either promotion or Senate
approval.

George
George Bush

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MEMORANDUM FOR: The President

THROUGH: Assistant to the President for
National Security Affairs

FROM: George Bush
Director

STATINTL

Dear Mr. President:

After great consultation, I decided to name [redacted]
head of the Intelligence Community Staff. [redacted] came
strongly recommended from the Secretary of Defense and others and
I am confident he will do a first-rate job.

As you know, the job is not, at this point, a Presidential
appointment. The Executive Order did create two Deputies. I
understand that it is intended that this job eventually be a
Presidential appointment requiring Senate confirmation. I have
talked to the White House on this and I have been encouraged to
take the ball on getting legislation started for your consideration.

[redacted] and I both agree that this should be a 4-Star
slot with or without Senate confirmation, and I would like to
discuss this with you on my return from Europe. I am convinced
[redacted] is going to do a first-class job.

Things are moving pretty well,

Sincerely,



George Bush

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